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State Board of Psychologist Examiners

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ANNUAL REPORT FOR GOVERNOR

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In accord with the Act (Chapter 32, Sections 66-3201 through 66-3214 of the Revised Codes of the State of Montana) the Montana State Board of Psychologist Examiners was established. To this Board, newly appointed in August, 1971, by Governor Forrest Anderson, were three members each of whom served as indicated: Dr. George E. Rice, Chairman (1-year term); Dr. William A. Garrison, Vice-Chairman (3-year term); and Dr. Carol H. Ammons, Secretary (2-year term).

On the basis of an intensive review of rules and procedures, application forms and statements from other state Boards, the Board had worked out a statement of Rules, Regulations, and Operating Procedures and prepared an application form. These materials, together with reprints of the law were distributed to members of the Montana Psychological Association and upon request to all persons and agencies within and without the state. (Copies of these printed materials are attached.)

The approved appropriation was \$1,500.00. Income from fees received totaled \$1,047.50. Expenditures included printing and a stamp (\$242.85). Processing expenditures has been handled slowly as proper government procedures had to be learned. As a result, expenditures for clerical service, postage, and such materials are pending.

A total of 21 psychologists have been licensed during this year from a total of 34 new applications received by this Board. While 21 applications were completed, no applications have been withdrawn, and 13 applications are pending final processing. Three renewals (members of the Board) have been processed. No examinations have been administered since this is the initial period of operation, known as "the grandfather" period. It is anticipated, however, that examinations will be those administered nationally and utilized by Boards of most states. To date no applications have been rejected by the Board, no licenses revoked, and no appeals have been received or processed.

An alphabetical list of licensed psychologists, including their addresses and areas of particular interest, will shortly be ready for distribution.

The members of the Board have found considerable help available from personnel in the Accounting and Purchasing Departments, but, in particular, knowledgeable support derived from the Attorney General's Office and the Commission on Executive Reorganization contributed strongly to the implementation of the Board's work during this year.

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Secretary - State Board of
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